



## Potamothrix vej dovskyi

### A tubificid worm

#### General

1. Aquatic oligochaete growing 10—21mm in length

#### Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Parts of the Ponto-Caspian region within the Black Sea, Caspian Sea, and Sea of Azov drainages
2. Habitat:
  - Mesotrophic to eutrophic conditions; may be favored by the presence of some pollution
  - Occurs at depths of 5.5—150m, typical to depths of 40m
  - Recorded on organic matter, silt, silt and clay, and other fine sediments
  - Tolerates salinities of 0.6—1.8 ppt; primarily a freshwater species, though it can tolerate brackish water

#### Invasion Pathways

1. Unknown, likely ballast water release

#### Sources

1. <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2708>